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Expressing the sense of Congress regarding Greece's contributions to the war against terrorism and its successful efforts against the November 17 terrorist organization.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CROWLEY (for himself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. LEE, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. SHERMAN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding Greece's contributions to the war against terrorism and its successful efforts against the November 17 terrorist organization.

Whereas the United States and Greece, longtime friends and allies, have fought side by side in defense of our shared commitment to freedom and democracy, including in both World Wars I and II, the Korean War, and Operations Desert Storm and Enduring Freedom;

Whereas in the immediate aftermath of the tragic events of September 11, 2001, Greece was one of the first countries to express its solidarity with the United States;

Whereas Greece, as a NATO ally and a coalition partner in the war against terrorism, has made significant contributions to Operation Enduring Freedom and has provided military personnel and humanitarian assistance to the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan;

Whereas President Bush has commended Greece for its “strong stand against terror”;

Whereas Greece, through excellent work and cooperation with United States and international law enforcement agencies, recently arrested key members of the November 17 terrorist organization;

Whereas President Bush stated that Greece’s “successful law enforcement operations against a terrorist organization [November 17] responsible for three decades of terrorist attacks underscore the important contributions Greece is making to the global war on terrorism”; and

Whereas the arrest of the November 17 terrorists will contribute to a safe and secure environment for staging the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, Greece: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring), That Congress—*

3 (1) commends Greece for its outstanding con-
4 tributions to the global war against terrorism, in-
5 cluding military support for Operation Enduring
6 Freedom, humanitarian assistance for Afghanistan,
7 and participation in the International Security As-
8 sistance Force in Afghanistan; and

1 (2) recognizes Greece's success in apprehending
2 key members of the November 17 terrorist organiza-
3 tion, commends the cooperation between United
4 States and Greek law enforcement agencies, and
5 urges continued efforts to dismantle completely the
6 November 17 terrorist organization, as such efforts
7 will also contribute to a safe and secure environment
8 for staging the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece.

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